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**CASE #:** OI-HQ-2018-ADM-0082

**CROSS REFERENCE #:** N/A

**TITLE:** PRUITT, E. SCOTT; POLITICAL APPOINTEE, ADMINISTRATOR, OA, EPA

**CASE CLOSING REPORT**

<b>Subject(s)</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Other Data</b>
Administrator Scott Pruitt	Washington, DC	N/A

**ALLEGATIONS:**

On April 9, 2018, the Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), received a memorandum from Kevin Minoli (Minoli), Principal Deputy General Counsel and Designated Agency Ethics Official, EPA. The memorandum, dated April 6, 2018, was issued by the United States Office of Government Ethics and addressed to Minoli. Pursuant to this memorandum, a case was opened to administratively investigate the following allegation: Did Administrator Pruitt have subordinates at the EPA assist him in finding personal housing.

On June 7, 2018, OI expanded the investigation to include the following allegations; (1) Did Administrator Pruitt use his official position and EPA staff to seek a "business opportunities" for his wife; (2) Did Administrator Pruitt enlist subordinates at the EPA secure a mattress for his personal use; and (3) Did Administrator Pruitt have his security detail run personal errands for him.

**FINDINGS:**

All allegations are deemed inconclusive. Administrator Pruitt resigned from the EPA prior to the conclusion of the investigation; therefore, was no longer subject to the administrative Standards of Conduct.

**DISPOSITION:**

Based upon the aforementioned, there are no further investigative steps and this investigation is recommended for closure.